
FOREST PROTECTION

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Durham County provides financial support for state-administered forest protection services under contract with the Division of Forest Resources within the Department of Environment, and Natural Resources. The Division maintains field offices in all counties of the state. The county pays 40% of the cost of operations and the state pays 60%. Two rangers are assigned to Durham County and are stationed at the Cooperative Extension Building, 721 Foster Street in Durham.

Serving all county residents, the Forest Protection program provides services including, but not limited to, forest management, financial assistance, urban and community forestry planning, forest fire protection, and insect and disease protection. In addition, the program publicizes the importance of prevention and protection measures through on-going information and educational programs. Approximately 100,000 acres of forest exist in Durham County.